

**P-20 Council  
Steering Committee Meeting  
April 26, 2006  
3:30 p.m.  
Meeting Minutes**

**Location:** 1820 W. Washington, Suite 101, Phoenix, AZ

**P-20 Members Present:** Dr. Rufus Glasper, Dr. Jim Zaharis, Bill Estes (telephonic), and Cindy Rudrud

**Staff:** Debra Raeder, Dr. Cheri St. Arnauld, Lorie O'Brien, Becky Hill

**1. Call to Order & Welcome**

Dr. Glasper called the meeting to Order at 3:30 p.m. and welcomed everyone and indicated that Bill Estes was attending the meeting telephonically.

**2. Approval of Meeting Minutes -March 29, 2006**

It was notated that there was an error in Becky Hill's name under No. 1 of the March 29<sup>th</sup> Minutes. Cindy Rudrud asked for and received clarification regarding No. 4 and SB 1512. With the correction of Ms. Hill's name in the minutes, Dr. Jim Zaharis moved approval of the March 29, 2006 meeting minutes. Motion was seconded by Cindy Rudrud and unanimously approved.

**3. P-20 Council Retreat**

Governor's staff updated the Committee on the draft agenda for the P-20 Retreat. The Committee engaged in a lengthy discussion regarding the agenda for the Retreat including discussion on the purpose and expected outcomes, a facilitator; attendees and invited guests; resource experts, breakout sessions and corporate sponsors. By consensus, the Committee recommended that:

- The purpose of the Retreat is to address the alignment issues facing education and the workforce and to establish a work plan for the P-20 Council, using the Alignment Project Report, that identifies goals as well as strategies and timelines to accomplish those goals;
- While the P-20 Council is charged with addressing the entire P-20 spectrum, this Retreat will focus on high school reform issues;
- The Governor provide a letter to the Council on what she anticipates seeing accomplished at the Retreat;
- That the national experts serving on the panel be used as resource experts at the breakout sessions;
- That staff prepare a synopsis of national studies and reports for use during the breakout sessions and that copies of these studies and reports be available for use during the breakout sessions;
- That staff ensures the facilitators for each of the breakout sessions have a packet outlining the issues and providing generalized questions that each session will address;
- That staff extend invitations to key individuals to participate with the Council in the Retreat, including, but not limited to, the incoming President of ABOR, Mr. Bob Bulla; State Board of Education Chairman Joanne Hilde; a representative from TQS; Dr. Robert Shelton, incoming President of UofA; Bill Putnam, the new Vice-President of USAA; and Representative Marsha Arzberger; and Representative Bill Konopnicki.

Staff indicated that the Conference will be held at the JW Marriott Starr Pass Resort in Tucson. Staff is also working to obtain a nationally known facilitator who is well versed on the issues to facilitate the

Retreat. Staff is also soliciting input on possible corporate sponsors to help off-set the costs of the Retreat.

The Committee requested an additional meeting in the next couple of weeks to review the details and progress of planning for the Retreat.

**4. Committee Discussions:**

- a. Alignment Project Committee**
- b. Adolescent Literacy Committee**
- c. Data & Graduation Rate Project**
- d. Higher Education**

Due to time constraints, there were no committee reports.

**5. P-20 Council Meeting – April 13, 2006 Agenda Update**

The May meeting of the Council has been cancelled. The Committee recommended that the scheduled June 15<sup>th</sup> meeting of the Council be cancelled due to its close proximity to the Retreat, and that the next meeting be scheduled for August. Debra will forward tentative dates for the Committees review and input.

**6. Call to the Public**

There were no requests from the Public to address the Committee.

**7. Adjournment**

There being no further business or discussion, the meeting was adjourned at 4:58 p.m.